

HARRISON'S BOOM.

Some Amusement Among the Washington Population,
Because of the Report That He Isn't a Candidate.

AT THEIR WITS' END.
Correspondents Unable to Find Any News.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 15.—[Special.]—The citizens of the capital were much amused at the announcement made a short time ago to the effect that ex-President Harrison was not a candidate for the Republican nomination in 1896. The Republicans in Washington say they think they see the hidden motive for this publication. The friends of General Harrison are among the most astute politicians in the country, and they know the danger of a premature boom. They do not wish to have their favorite posing before the people as a presidential aspirant so long before the meeting of the convention. At the same time it is generally understood that no efforts in the direction of quietly killing the political seal, with a view to a Harrison crop when the proper season comes, are to be neglected on account of the announcement.

Another topic in Washington is that the announcement of Mr. Harrison's lack of ambition was made for purposes connected with the recent meeting of the Republican national committee. This committee is not friendly to General Harrison and never was, at least it has not been since the inauguration of 1889. It was feared by some of the ex-president's special friends that the meeting of the national committee might be used in opposition to him in some way, and hence publication of the alleged fact that Harrison was not a candidate was made seemingly by authority.

Unhappily, Yet Not Without Admiration.

One of the most unhappy men in Washington is Chairman Wilson of the ways and means committee. Mr. Wilson is a polite, quiet, scholarly and studious man. He has little love for the hardy party of politicians or for the rough and tumble debate which is often indulged upon the floor of the house. For many months he has worked on the new tariff bill all man has rarely worked before. He has, as he says, been a slave to duty. Night and day, with all his energy and endurance, has he toiled, and what does he get for it? Nothing but abuse and misrepresentation, fault finding, opposition—not a little of it from his own party—from the very men who in the nature of things would be expected to stand by him.

At one time Mr. Wilson felt so badly over the treatment accorded him by his fellow Democrats that he thought seriously of resigning and escaping all the annoyance and trial by a return to his books. But that would have been rather cowardly, and Mr. Wilson is not a coward. So he stood his ground, and in Washington it is generally believed he will find his reward in an appointment to the supreme court bench if a vacancy in the right circuit occurs during Mr. Cleveland's term.

Awaiting a Turn of the Tide.

The Washington manager of one of the great telegraphic press associations received a terse inquiry from one of his customers a few days ago. It was, "Why in thunder don't you give us a little Democratic stuff out of Washington?" His reply was equally pointed. "There isn't any," he wired back. It is a remarkable fact that for several weeks the representatives of the press associations in Washington have been at their wits' ends to find news to send that world not be discouraging to the Democratic party. The man of these press associations is to be absolutely impartial, and if forced to send bad news for one party to even it, try by sending bad news to the other party. But if it is assumed that the only news in town was news which only Republicans would relish, and it was not surprising that the Democratic editor finally broke forth with his inquiry why some of the Democratic counties could not be heard from since the election.

The search as frequently made in Washington during the past six weeks that the Democratic party has been in the shadow of despair. The elections went against it, the tariff bill raised a storm of opposition in the ranks, the Hawaiian business turned out exceedingly unprofitable. It appears that parties are like individuals in that they have their periods of ill luck. At this capital the Democrats are anxiously but confidently awaiting a turn of the tide.

The Passing of Mr. Gresham.

During all this Hawaiian row the correspondent of a San Francisco paper has been in serious trouble. The San Francisco papers naturally have been keenly interested in everything pertaining to Hawaii. They have instructed their correspondents here to get up early and stay up late to make sure of getting something going. In the case of this particular correspondent the instructions have been followed so literally that he scarcely goes to bed at all. His paper has both a morning and an afternoon edition. With the difference of time between San Francisco and Washington it is possible to print afternoon news in a morning newspaper and morning news in an afternoon newspaper if the correspondent is only on the alert early and late. This unfortunate newspaperman has thus been kept on the jump about 18 hours out of the 24. If the Hawaiian business is not soon settled, he will have to resign or go to a hotel.

Politicians, like parties, have their ups and downs. A few months ago Mr. Gresham was the rising man of the Democratic party. It was he who killed the silver compromise scheme, and when that pretty last plan went to pieces Senator Gorman retired to prevent a bitterly disappointed and badly beaten man. Gorman's end of the tether heart was way down, and Gresham was about to let the thing hang by the other end. It is Mr. Gresham who is waiting for the clouds to roll by, while the senator whose life compromise banking had to be cut off by the big secretary of state now takes keen delight in raising more or less sincerely, and more or less in a Pickwickian sense, as the friend of the administration in the upper branch of Congress.

Whenever Mr. Hoar or some other Nemesistic Republican introduces a resolution intended to annoy President Cleveland, his secretary of state, it is Mr. German who usually rises, and with that peculiar smile which we all know so well, says that under the rules it had better lie over, or that it had better be referred to the appropriate committee. It is as good as a riddle to watch the ups and downs of great men here.

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SCANLAN IN BLOOMINGDALE
THE SWEET SINGER, THOUGH JEANNE, DOES
NOT SEEM UNHAPPY.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Actor Scanlan is now confined in the insane asylum at Bloomingdale. Tony Pastor's variety company were booked to give a performance at the asylum for the amusement of the patients.

Scanlan arrived early in the hall, where he was given a seat in the first row with an attendant upon one side of him and his wife on the other. He looked well and seemed pleased beyond measure to greet the old friends who clustered about him. Several of the ladies kissed him, and as Harry Sanderson, his old time associate, shook the stricken actor's hand there were tears in his eyes.

Scanlan, however, seemed in excellent spirits. He laughed and chatted with his wife until the orchestra played the overture, and this appeared to revive old memories. He began to sing in a mellow voice that was audible in every portion of the hall. Dr. Atwood, the assistant superintendent, went up to him with a smile and whispered a word in his ear. Scanlan laughed heartily, but ceased his singing.

A big soft ball filled with air was brought upon the stage and the brothers tossed it from one to the other by the impact of their heads. In hitting it about the hall lost direction and flew out among the audience, where it damaged aether and either Ike's big toe bone.

Scanlan laughed uproariously and when the ball moved in his direction, he leaped out of his seat and seized it. Balance it for a moment in both hands and hurled it with all the force at his command at one of the Dale brothers.

It struck the actor full in the head with retounding force, but would not budge him, and he bounded back in the audience. Scanlan reached for it again, but this time the ball was beyond his reach. Dr. Atwood smilingly approached Scanlan and led him back to his seat. Stage Manager Sanderson recovered the ball, and the excitement subsided as speedily as it had arisen.

THE "OMALDINA" ON TRIAL
A Revolutionary Society in Bohemia
Called to the Bar.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—The trial of the seventy prisoners charged with being members of the Omaldina, a revolutionary society organized by Rudolph Meissner, who was assassinated a short time ago by some of his associates as a result of the discovery that he was simply a spy in the employ of the police, continues today at Prague, Bohemia.

The government attorney will continue the prosecution, and a strong array of counsel for the defense will be headed by Dr. Joseph Herold, who is the leader of the young Czechs in the parliamentary party. The evidence against the prisoners is strong, and it is thought that the conviction of a majority of them is certain.

BUFFALO TROTTING NEWS.
Big Business to Be Done at That City This Season.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 15.—Buffalo last season started the trotting world by hanging up \$90,000 in purses for the two weeks' trotting meetings. This year it is proposed to have another big meeting. Purse aggregating \$55,000, and perhaps more will be offered. There will be several big stake events, the details concerning which have not yet been fully arranged. The dates chosen are from July 31 to August 11 inclusive.

It is more than likely that the great \$20,000 pacing purse will be repeated this year. This is the race which caused such great excitement last year and because of which Buffalo went broke last May.

IN BRIGHT GREEN PAINT.
Walls of a Chicago University Building
Painted by Students.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—The faculty of Chicago University were highly indignant this morning when they saw what a party of students had done during the night. The dark gray granite walls of Kent laboratory which was recently dedicated, born in bright green letters the name of a sophomore secret society. The paint can only be removed with great difficulty.

On the doors of Kelly hall, the dormitory of the female students, were hung signs brought from Midway Plaisance. "The circular dance done here," "This way for the genuine muscle dance," and others of a like nature.

DICK WALKER RETURNS.
The Clyde Mattie Case Goes to the Jury
Tonight.

United States Marshal Dick Walker has returned from Wichita, where he has been attending United States court.

"The Clyde Mattie case," Mr. Walker said, "will go to the jury probably tonight, as the arguments were begun this morning, and not any more time than today will be taken with that."

The account of the attack on George Walker by the young woman was exaggerated considerably, yet she did tell George that she would like to kill him. Since the service we have found out that the woman is an adventuress and others of a like nature.

Railroad Wages Cut 10 Per Cent.

TOLONIO, O., Jan. 15.—A reduction of 10 per cent in the wages of all employees of the Columbus, Hocking Valley & Toledo railway receiving more than \$50 per month goes into effect today. The men have accepted the reduction with the understanding that it is temporary, and that a restoration will be made as soon as the improvement in business justifies that step.

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THE BLUE BOOK.

A List of Persons Employed by Uncle Sam.

Some States Haven't the Number They Deserve.

SOUTH IN THE LURCH.

Thinks Representative Hook of Tennessee.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—In the last appropriation bill providing for the blue book which gives the list of persons holding positions in the different departments, a provision inserted, requiring that the number of employees by states be furnished. This provision has been carried out in the book just published. Representative Hook of Tennessee, has made a comparison of these figures with the census of 1890 showing the number of offices each state would be entitled to according to the population.

His object is to show that many states in the south particularly, have not a just proportion. His figures show that the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia, have but 2,345 persons in office, about 800 less than the District of Columbia.

Mr. Hook thinks the civil service commission should make no more certificates from states which have a full quota, and those which have more than their share should be speedily reduced. The following is the list showing the number now in office from the different states and the number to which each state is entitled according to population:

Now in Office by population.

Alabama	175	369
Alaska	2	14
Arizona	6	268
Arkansas	77	281
California	119	281
Colorado	69	185
Connecticut	186	171
Delaware	65	40
District of Columbia	338	55
Florida	59	93
Georgia	220	425
Idaho	19	20
Illinois	598	969
Indiana	44	521
Iowa	284	454
Kansas	207	339
Kentucky	205	442
Louisiana	129	260
Maine	187	177
Maryland	788	247
Massachusetts	403	502
Michigan	329	498
Minnesota	174	309
Mississippi	127	203
Missouri	306	627
Montana	18	31
Nebraska	110	252
New Hampshire	21	71
New Jersey	291	343
New Mexico	18	37
New York	1,576	1,427
North Carolina	334	385
North Dakota	29	43
Ohio	638	837
Oklahoma	2	14
Oregon	64	75
Pennsylvania	1,238	1,250
Rhode Island	69	82
South Carolina	175	274
South Dakota	60	78
Tennessee	269	420
Texas	156	531
Utah	7	49
Vermont	108	59
Virginia	728	394
Washington	24	83
West Virginia	224	181
Wisconsin	233	401
Wyoming	12	15

It is quite likely that an amendment will be offered to the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill indicating that the apportionment of offices be equalized according to the population of states.

TWO HISTORIC CHARACTERS.

Andrew Jackson Arrests George Washington for Stealing Coal.

George Washington was arrested by Andrew Jackson this morning.

Washington, who is a colored man, was passing the yards of the Green Coat company this morning, at the corner of First street and Kansas avenue. The sight of several carloads of the fuel reminded him that his woodpile was nearly gone. He therefore climbed upon a car and selected a lump of Osage shaft weighing about seventy-five pounds and started off with it. Special Policeman "Andy" Jackson saw the thief. He thought it was a violation of the Monroe doctrine and he was arrested with Jeffersons.

Jackson said in police court that the lump weighed seventy-five pounds, and Washington contended that it weighed only twenty or twenty-five. The Judge didn't care how much it weighed and fined him \$5.

Mr. Hattie Castanen departed for New Salem, Ohio, yesterday, in response to a telegram announcing the death of her mother. At her urgent request Miss Vinnie King accompanied her as far as Chicago.

Three children in the family of J. H. Johnson, on Sycamore street, are sick, and the youngest is not expected to live. The disease is pronounced croup, and as it is not contagious, kindly disposed neighbors need not hesitate about tendering assistance.

The Kansas Avenue M. E. church was crowded to the extent of its capacity yesterday by people from all over the city, who turned out to hear Bishop Vincent. The subject of his discourse was "Prayer," and he took the position that prayer is the desire of the heart whether expressed or not. He reasoned from that standpoint that few prayers, comparatively speaking, are ever answered. It was a fine sermon, and is the subject of much comment.

At a meeting held at the residence of Mrs. A. J. Arnold Saturday, an organization was formed auxiliary to the Associated Charities. Mrs. Arnold was made secretary and the territory north of the river was divided into districts. Mrs. Wm. Finch and Mrs. Charles Mees will have charge of the first district, east of Kansas avenue and north of Gordon; Mrs. Wm. Green and Mrs. A. M. Brodrick, second district, east of Kansas avenue and south of Gordon; Miss Mary Brown and Miss Mary Powell, No. 2, Kansas avenue to

the river.

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